

MICHIGAN COUNTY.

Personal Notes from Colorado
and the An Episode
in the Life of
the Gazette.

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sions and twenty-five baptisms up to
date. The meeting continues through
the week. A number of distinguished
divines participated in the meeting,
conspicuous among whom are Gen.
A. T. Hawthorne, Maxwell, of
Marshall; J. M. Carroll, of Lampasas,
Father Melvin, of Mississippi.

It has before been announced that
Bell county now rejoices in free
bridges, and all her citizens can go to
and from their capital without having
to pay toll.

The election passed off quietly. All
the precincts are not reported yet. As
the figures now stand 2,294 are for
Belton and \$89 for Temple.

The city council passed an ordinance
at the last meeting to issue \$40,000 in
bonds for the construction of water-
works, and also appointed a committee
to receive plans and specifications for
the erection of new school buildings
with all the modern appliances. Now
that the county seat question is settled,
the next thing is a new court-house
and jail.

The telephone company have been
granted the privilege of setting up their
poles.

A new opera-house is in contempla-
tion, headed by Col. J. E. Miller.
The continued dry weather has
shortened the cotton crop, it is thought,
about one-third.

Talmage of the Missouri Pacific paid
Belton a flying visit on the 11th inst.,
and expressed much satisfaction at the
business the road is getting from this
place.

CLAY COUNTY.

Shipments of Cattle from Henrietta—Im-
portance of Extending the Denver
City Railroad.

Correspondence of the Gazette.
Henrietta, August 16.—Collins &
Sloemaker shipped twenty-nine car-
loads of beefs to Strayhorn & Co.,
Chicago, today.

While in conversation with Mr. W.
R. Hoxie, live stock agent for the Mis-
souri Pacific, we learn that there have
been more cattle shipped from this
than any other point in West Texas.
Colorado City not excepted, and at the
same time there is less said about the
matter. We acknowledge our fault in
not reporting more fully the shipments
and trades that have been made during
the season. Suffice it to say that Hen-
rietta has the stockmen, and the greater
number of cattle on the different
ranges are near enough to ship from
this point. We are now of the
opinion that the stockmen of this sec-
tion prefer to have the road pushed
forward to a more convenient point for
those who have cattle further west.
Unless this is done, they will next sea-
son drive to Kansas rather than ship
on the Fort Worth & Denver
City railroad, even at the same
trouble and expense. While this is
one of the best paying and conducted
roads in the state for its distance in
length, it is absolutely necessary that
the road go on to its final destination.
Unless it goes further, we would favor
the building of another parallel, say
one hundred miles with this, and if it
should happen we would be willing to
gamble that the competition would be
interesting.

ERATH COUNTY.

The Vote on the Amendments—Apathy of
the People.

Correspondence of the Gazette.
Stephenville, August 15.—The elec-
tion on the amendments passed off
quietly yesterday. A light vote was
polled here, only 112 votes being cast,
or about one-sixth of the number of
votes that belong to this box. There
were only about twelve votes cast
against all the amendments, and only
seventeen against any one of them.
Only one other box besides the town
precinct has been heard from, and but
thirty votes were cast there—twenty-
three for and seven against the
amendments.

The majority of the people through-
out this section of the country have shown
an absolute indifference about this
important matter, and this same class
of people that have stayed away from
the polls are the very ones that always
find fault with everything that is
done, or that is not done for that mat-
ter. The Greenbackers and Radicals
as a rule were against the amend-
ments, as were a great many sorehead
Democrats. The papers have dis-
cussed this matter and men have pro-
claimed it upon the stump, and still I
venture to say there are 25,000 men in
the state to-day that do not know there
was an election held yesterday, or if
they ever heard of it they have forgot-
ten it. This kind of stupid ignorance
is unpardonable. I hope, however,
the amendments have been adopted.

PARKER COUNTY.

Resignation of Sheriff Tackett, and Ap-
pointment of W. R. Baylor—Local
Brevelities From Weatherford.

Correspondence of the Gazette.
Weatherford, August 16.—Sheriff L.
L. Tackett presented his resignation to
the commissioners court this morning.
It was accepted, and Walker R. Baylor
appointed to fill the unexpired
term. Mr. Baylor is a son of the
celebrated John R. Baylor, one of the
most famous men in the history of
Texas. He has filled several offices of
profit and trust in this county, and al-
ways with credit to himself and honor
to his friends and his illustrious father.
He has filed his bond which has been
approved and is now the bona fide
sheriff. The following gentlemen
are his bondsmen: W. S. Pickard,
J. F. Pattillo, F. R. Milliken, J. H.
Milliken, A. S. Simmons, H. E.
Swain, and J. W. Hendrick.

Mr. E. A. Leach is reported in a dy-
ing condition this evening, and doubt-
less before this reaches you he will
have paid the last debt.
The district court still drags its slow
length along, but nothing of great im-
portance is doing.
M. C. West was tried in the justice's
court this evening for carrying a pistol
and honorably acquitted of the charge.

POLK COUNTY.

The Vote on the Amendments.

Correspondence of the Gazette.
Livingston, August 15.—The elec-
tion yesterday on the constitutional
amendments passed off quietly, but
little interest being manifested. Re-
sult:
For amendment to sections 4 and 6
of article 7, 34; against, 19.
For amendment to section 9 of arti-
cle 8, 35; against, 17.
For amendment to section 3, article
7, 33; against, 19.
For amendment to article 5, 33;
against, 18.
No election at any other point, so

far as heard from. Many refrained
from voting because they were not suf-
ficiently informed as to the nature or
object of the amendments.

SAN JACINTO COUNTY.

Election Returns from One Precinct.

Correspondence of the Gazette.
Cold Springs, August 15.—The fol-
lowing are the election returns from
this box. Total number of votes
polled 60.

For amendment to section 4 and 6,
article 7, 16 votes.

For amendment to section 9, article
8, 52.

For amendment to section 3, article
7, 53.

Against amendment to sections 4
and 6, article 7, 44.

Against amendment to section 9, arti-
cle 8, 8.

Against amendment to section 3, arti-
cle 7, 7.

Against amendment to article 5, 7.

Cattle vs. Sheep—In New Mexico.

The Red River Chronicle, published at
San Hilario, San Miguel county,
New Mexico, in its last issue made the
following remarks upon a subject of
interest to western stockmen:

The territory of New Mexico is un-
dergoing just now a great revolution;
and, we are sorry to say, one detrimen-
tal to the masses of the people. It is
the dethronement of the regime of
sheep and the acquisition of power by
the cattle.

Ever since about 1540, over three
hundred and forty years, New Mexico
has been a sheep raising country.
Then a small lot of Spanish Merino
sheep were introduced from Spain and
from that importation all the flocks
now known as native in this territory
were derived.

The constant breeding in for over
three hundred years has made the ani-
mals small and the wool coarse, but
neither plague among the flocks, nor
destruction by roving bands of Indians
could reduce their number. It was a
constant increase; and when the rail-
road reached here about four years ago
and New Mexico was allowed to ship
her wool as her own, sheep were
counted by millions. These ranged
all over God's creation, from one water-
ing place to another, hardly ever mak-
ing camp more than one week in the
same place.

It has been the custom, heretofore,
to keep about three thousand head in
a flock. At this rate the ten million
sheep require ten thousand herders.
For nearly three years now sheep
have been sold off as quick as a pur-
chaser could be found and most of the
money thus derived has been employ-
ed in cattle. It is all right enough for
the owner; he can afford to wait three
years until the first return is made in
the increase, that is if we take it for a
fact that each cattle ranch starts in
only with cows and calves. To get the
young ones into market will necessi-
tate three years; as selling steers before
that time is a losing business.

But it is mighty hard on the poor
shepherd. The owner of sheep, by
selling 10,000 head, throws ten men
out of employment constantly. That
number of common ewes, with lambs,
will not fetch more than \$20,000 which,
if employed in cattle, will buy about
600 cows and calves. Two permanent
cowboys will take care of them; for at
least a couple of years and the extra
hands formerly employed in shearing
sheep and attending to them during the
lambing season, will more than do
to round-up and help brand calves.
We have, therefore, a loss of employ-
ment of at least eight men for every
10,000 sheep sold.

Here, in the Red River region, there
have been sold during the past seasons
and part of this not less than 200,000
sheep which means the throwing out
of employment of over 150 men.

This is a serious loss to the country
in many ways. The individuals who
formerly herded these sheep have to
migrate to hunt up work elsewhere,
taking with them in most instances
their families. This causes them also
a reduction in that amount of com-
merce, and this concentrates more and
more towards the railroad towns.

Hundreds of retail establishments
which formerly flourished on these
frontiers are things of the past and the
commerce is thrown more and more in-
to the hands of the wholesale estab-
lishments and, we are sorry to have to
acknowledge, establishments outside
of the territory of New Mexico, be-
cause it is a deplorable fact that most
of the goods required on large cattle
ranches are brought here at wholesale
from the states.

Happily, there is one pleasant fea-
ture connected with this metamorpho-
sis. It is the settling up of the coun-
try. Sheep ranches used to have but
few improvements; cattle ranches need
a home for the cowboys and storemen
where to lay away the supplies. Houses
are springing up all over the land;
corrals have to be built and other im-
provements are visible. But the dusky
shepherd of former years will soon pass
into oblivion and the festive cowboy is
taking his place. The shepherd, a man
around town, the bachelor cowboy is
doing the work of a hundred sheep
camps with his stove.

Goats.

The much abused goat is coming to
be prized as a useful animal by
English farmers. They have been a
long time discovering what has been
an established fact on the Continent
of Europe, that the whiskered and
frisky animal is an important factor
in pastoral wealth. In other European
countries it has been demonstrated
that the goat will, if properly managed,
yield milk, butter and cheese which
possess peculiar virtues of their own,
and provide excellent meat for the
table, as well as gloves and boots,
which cannot be matched for delicacy
and strength. As a result of the new
light on this subject a goat farm of 210
acres has been established on land of
the Earl of Lovelace, in Surrey, where
goats' milk, butter, cheese and leather
will be produced.—*Farmer Advance.*

Oscar Wilde's Return.

New York, August 11.—Oscar Wilde,
the great apostle of aestheticism, ar-
rived in this city from Liverpool on
the steamship Britannic, of the White
Star line, to-day, and registered at the
Hotel Brunswick.

Mr. Wilde has undergone a complete
transformation since his former visit
to this country. The long and flowing
locks have been discarded and given
over to the shears, and Oscar looks, in

the language of a fellow-passenger,
"like a rational being." His front
hair, in spite of Mrs. Langtry's edict,
is cut squarely across in the most ap-
proved style of "bang."

On being asked the purpose of his
visit to New York, the poet aesthete
said:
"I came to attend the rehearsals of
my play 'Vera' which is to be pro-
duced in the Union Square theatre
August 20. There were some details in
regard to colors, dresses and scenery
that I wanted to look after myself, so
I just ran over for a few weeks. I can
not remain long in this country, as I
have several engagements to lecture in
England."

"Your new play has a political as-
pect, I believe," said the reporter.

"Yes, and that is the reason it was
not produced in England, because
they said it trenched on political sub-
jects, so here I am coming to America
to produce my play instead of bringing
it out in my native land. Americans
are without prejudices, and it can be
produced here without fear or favor.
'Vera' is a five-act play in prose. It is
my first attempt at dramatic prose of
any kind."

On your return to England did you
not find that the resthetic school had
proved a failure?" asked the reporter.

"Oh, dear, no; on the contrary it
has been a great success. A careful
inspection will show that the whole
scheme of color is altered. If we hear
less of the movement just at present it
is because the victory has been already
won."

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Rev. G. W. RICE, editor of
the American Christian Re-
view, says of Brown's Iron
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Cin., O., Nov. 16, 1881.
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